## AN EPIDEMIC OF CRIME

#### FIVE MEN NOW UNDER ARREST FOR CRIMINAL ASSAULT.

A Movement to Form a New Party out of Recruits From the Present Three-Populists Content With Holding the Balance of Power-Question of Suppressing the "Sanctified Bands"-Only ten Townships Yet Known to Have Voted for School Taxation.

Messenger Bureau, Park Hotel.

Raleigh, N. C., August 12. The comment is made in official circles here that the sheriff of Buncombe did not manage well the Brackett case and that he could have foiled the

A negro man, woman and 6-months old child were here today, walking from West Virginia to Robeson county, this state. The woman was nearly exhausted, having carried the infant most of the way.

There is quite a lot of surmising as to what the populists propose doing. Most of them have no higher ambition than to be the "balance of power" in North Carolina. A leading democrat said today that it was infamous that such a state of affairs should exist that 30,000 of a party should dominate the state. "For my part," he added "I would be willing to fuse with the republicans to wipe out the populists forever." It is the talk that it is the plan of a republican, a populist and a democrat, all state figures, and one of them a national one, to create if they can a new party and lead into it all the people they can from their own. The actions of the three appear to bear this

George Davis, alias Dr. Davis, the 50 year old negro under arrest here on a suspicion that he outraged and caused the death of a little girl near Edenton, is causing a stir. He is a Raleigh negro. His arrest was telegraphed to the Chowan officials and the reply was a remarkable telegram that he could be sent there if Raleigh would pay the expenses. His photograph and description were sent. Yesterday word came that he was not the man. Meanwhile he had applied for a hearing under habeas corpus before Judge Clark today. Papers in this matter were served The chief of police meanwhile released Davis. When Judge Clark heard of this he said some sharp things. At 11 o'clock last night Davis was rearrested. This afternoon at 5 o'clock he was given a hearing before Judge Clark. He was at first arrested on suspicion and there were no proper papers to hold him.

The bulk of the people who have anything to say about the Buncombe county lynching express satisfaction

Joe Black is the name of the negro on trial for rape in Greene county. A negro at Winston is in jail for the same offence. Then there is the Hodges case at Washington and that of Brodie in jail here for the same crime at Klt-

Senator Ben Tillman, of South Carolina, spoke to a large audience at Mocksville, Davie county, today. The question is asked here whether

the solicitors of the First and Seventh districts will take steps to punish the "sanctified band" who are acting so disgracefully in some counties of eastern North Carolina.

Not a township was carried in Wake county for the special tax for public schools. The state superintendent of public instruction so far knows of only ten townships in which the election was successful. He is disappointed.

There has been no rain for sixteen days in the Henderson section and it is badly needed.

The falling off in the acreage of tobacco in this state is so great as to attract much attention. It is reported to be 47 per cent. under an average. There will be much demand for labor

in this state in the next twenty days, to harvest the great crops. The Farmers' Alliance has certainly

fallen off greatly in membership. It is a question whether it numbers 7,500 members, where once it had 105,000.

## AMERICAN MERCHANT MARINE.

### The Small Percentage of our Foreign Trade Carried in American Vessels

Washington, August 12.-According to the records of the treasury department, British vessels are carrying over 55 per cent. of the merchandise of the United States, both of imports and of exports. Examination of figures for the first six months of this year show the total imports in vessels have been of the value of \$432.689.981, and of domestic exports in vessels \$452,800,405. The percentage of imports carried in American vessels is 15.35 and in foreign vessels 84.65. Of imports in vessels the British have carried 55.89 per cent.; the Germans 11.49; French 5.46; Dutch 3.3, and all other foreign vessels 8.51. Of domestic exports only 8.19 is carried in American bottoms, 91.81 per cent. being carried in vessels of other nations. British vessels carry 68.23 per cent. of the value of exports by vessels; German 8.92; French 2.19; Norwegian 2.93, and all other

The value of imports carried in American vessels for the six months ending June 30th, was \$66,428,149, and of that carried in foreign vessels \$366,263,832. The value of exports for the same period carried in American vessels was \$37,113,168, that carried in foreign vessels

The value of sugar which has been largely brought from the West Indies in American vessels, carries the percentage of imports in American vessels higher than that of the value of our domestic

During the first half of the present year the value of imports carried in cars a other land vehicles was \$20,068,149, and c

## exports \$27,297,619.

Extreme Illness of a Prominent Karean Washington, August 12.-Pom Kwang Soh, chief of the privy council of Korea, ex-minister to this country from Korea, and the commissioner of that kingdom to the queen's recent jubilee, is critically ill with consumption at his residence here and may not survive the night. The acute attack occurred Saturday night when violent bicycle exercise brought on a hemorrhage. Since then he has been growing steadily worse and his friends have given up all hope. Mr. Soh is considerably the most influential man of his country. Chim Pom Ye, the present Korean minister, and Prince Eni Wha, the son of the king of Korea, are constantly at his bedside. The king has been notified. Mr. Soh's appointment to the principal post in the country next to the throne was made last autumn, but his poor health has prevented his leaving

to assume the office.

## THE KNIGHTS OF HONOR.

Second Day's Proceedings of the Grand Lodge at Carolina Beach-Officers Elected-The Lodge Adjourns to Meet in Concord in 1899.

The grand lodge of Knights of Honor of North Carolina opened its second day's session yesterday morning at 9 o'clock, at Carolina Beach, Grand Dictator Shaw presiding.

Two additional members were in attendance, viz: Messrs. J. W. McCrary, of Lexington, and F. J. Tharp, of Rocky Mount.

The report of the Grand Trustees was presented and adopted.

A letter was read from Grand Assistant Dictator N. Jacobi, expressing regret that he could not attend this session of the grand lodge. Mr. Jacobi is valued member of the order, and the regret expressed by him was shared by the grand lodge.

The selection of a place for the next meeting was gone into. Invitations were received from Goldsboro, Raleigh, Kinston, Asheville and Concord. On the third ballot Concord was selected. The time of the next session will be

The following were made past dictators in consideration of efficient services in their respective lodges: Messrs. C. W. Trice, G. M. Burruss, E. F. Arrington, T. L. Farrow and L. C. Terrell. On motion, the election of officers for

the second Wednesday in August, 1899.

the ensuing two years was proceeded with and Messrs, J. B. Whitaker, Jr., and R. J. Stokely were appointed The election resulted as follows:

Grand Dictator-N. L. Shaw. (Reelected.) Grand Vice Dictator-T. M. Jordan.

Grand Assistant Dictator-J. B. Whitaker, Jr. Grand Chaplain-L. A. Bikle.

Grand Reporter-P. C. Carlton. Grand Treasurer-S. C. Schofield. Grand Guide-K. R. Jones. Grand Guardian-W. H. Carstaphen,

Grand Sentinel-F. Boyette. Grand Trustees-T. F. Klutz, T. H. Gatlin, M. O. Sherrill.

Representatives to Supreme Lodge-J. T. LeGrand, T. F. Klutz. Alternate Representatives-N. L.

Shaw, N. D. Fetzer. A recess was then taken until 2:30

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The newly elected officers were duly installed by Acting Supreme officers

The grand lodge re-convened at 2:30

Klutz, LeGrand and Lyon. The grand dictator announced the following standing committees:

Laws and Supervision-C. M. Brown, T. M. Jordan, L. A. Bikle. Finance-C. M. Brown, L. A. Bikle,

K. R. Jones. The secret work of the order was exemplified by Grand Vice Dictator T. M.

Jordan. Resolutions were adopted extending thanks to the railroads, proprietor of the hotel, Capt. J. M. McGowan and the Wilmington newspapers for courtesies.

A resolution was also adopted thanking the grand dictator for the earnest and impartial manner in which he had presided over the deliberations of the

The grand lodge than brought to a close one of the most profitable meetings of its history.

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## The School Tax Waterloo

In all directions the special tax for schools was defeated overwhelmingly in Tuesday's election. The verdict against it has practically been unanimous. The following is a part of the election news from Sampson county: North Clinton, 24 for, 113 against; South Clinton, 15 for, 120 against; Halls, 1 for, 50 against; Turkey, 8 for, 115 against; Lisbon, 2 for, 200 against; Taylors Bridge, 35 for, 150 against; Westbrooks, 11 for, 126 against; Mingo, 11 for, 200 against. The balance of the county goes at the same ratio.

The vote at Pollocksville, Onslow county, was 40 for and 188 against the school tax. Piney Grove township voted 6 for and 93 against.

A correspondent at Kenansville, Du-

plin county, writes The Messenger: The following is the result of the election for the special school tax in Duplin: The vote stood, "for schools," 356; "against schools," 2,034. This is for the entire county except one precinct not heard from. Not a single township has voted the tax. There are about 3,400 qualified voters in this county. Most of the votes cast for the special tax were cast by the negroes, but they were by no means unanimous.

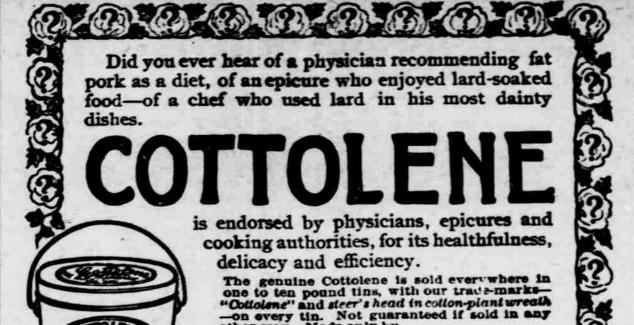
## The Late Spanish Premier.

Madrid, August 12.-Senora Canovas del Castillo, widow of the assassinated premier, has objected to his remains lying in state, and the admission of the public to the mortuary chamber at the family's residence has ben stopped. It is the intention of the government to confer upon the widow the title of duchess, with the dignity of a grandee of the first class, and a pension of 30,-000 pesetas. A decree was gazetted today post-

poning the obsequies of the late premier until Friday.

Canovas, by the terms of his will, bequeaths to the national library 30,000 volumes, many of which are of very rare editions.

Golli, otherwise Michael Angiolillo. the murderer of the Spanish premier, will be tried by court-martial at Verzara on Saturday next.



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A TIME AT WALLACE.

Good Will Lodge, No. 192, of Odd Fellows, Instituted on Wednesday Night With Forty-three Members-The Degee Work Done by the Wilmington Team.

The Odd Fellows team of the city that went up to Wallace, N. C., on Wednesday night for the purpose of instituting a lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at that place, arrived there at 8:30 p. m. and were met by a committee and escorted to the lodge room.

District Deputy Grand Master J. T. King called the meeting to order and the degrees of the order were then conferred on forty-three candidates, after which the lodge adjourned for supper, which had been prepared by the ladies of Wallace. It is useless to say that everybody did ample justice to the host of good things, for which the Wilmington visitors especially return their sincere thanks to the ladies.

After supper District Deputy Grand Master J. T. King, assisted by Past Grands J. J. Hopkins and J. M. Mc-Gowan, then in ample form, instituted Good Will Lodge No. 192 with the following officers for the ensuing term:

N. G.-W. F. Murphy. V. G.-W. M. Carr. R. & P. S.-L. Southerland. Treasurer-H. F. Boney. Warden-J. E. Lamb.

Conductor-Dr. B. R. Graham. Chaplain-Rev. J. W. Noble. R. S. to N. G .- J. D. Boney. L. S. to N. G.-J. F. Barkley. R. S. to V. G.-D. E. Boney. I. S. to V. G.-L. S. Wells. R. S. S.-L. B. Carr. L. S. S.-K. H. Dempsey.

J. G.-H. Smith.

O. G.-H. Wells. The following are the charter members of the new lodge: J. W. Boney, D. E. Boney, D. C. Bryant, J. F. Barkley, J. L. Boney, J. D. Boney, W. S. Boney, A. T. Bland, J. K. Bryant, E. Boney, J. R. Blackburn, W. A. Boney, H. T. Boney, W. B. Bland, W. M. Carr, L. B. Carr, J. B. Carr, J. O. Carr, K. H.

Dempsey, B. R. Graham, M. E. Gavin, T. Q. Hall, C. B. Johnson, J. E. Johnson, J. E. Lamb, H. W. Lamb, L. L. Mallard, W. F. Murphey, J. W. New, Rev. J. W. Noble, M. B. Pope, G. B. D. Parker, L. Southerland, J. W. Stallings, M. Southerland, H. Smith, J. G. Southerland, G. W. Teachey, R. M. Williams, D. H. Williams, Jr., H. Wells, L. S. Wells, J. P. Wells.

In the above list is to be found the very best material in and around Wallace. We recognize among them many friends of The Messenger, and any time we can serve them it will be a great pleasure for us to do so. The "Brothers" from this city re-

turned home yesterday morning. All report having had a splendid time.

Don't nauseate your stomach with teas and bitter herbs, but regulate your liver and sick headache by using those famous little pills known as De Witt's Little Early Risers. R. R. Bellamy.

## Road Supervisors Indicted

A few weeks ago Mr. Joseph H. Williamson, overseer of the public road, in Harnett township, was indicted and convicted in Justice R. H. Bunting's court on an action charging him with neglect of duty in failing to comply with the act of the general assembly requiring overseers to make annual reports, August 1st, of the condition of the roads, the number of person who worked the roads, and a list of those who failed and the amount of fines collected etc.

Yesterday in Justice J. J. Fowler's court Mr. Wiliams indicted the board of supervisors of public roads in Har-E. W. Manning, Gerrit Walker and Jordan Nixon, for failure to discharge their duty. An act of the general assembly requires them annually, August 1st, to appoint a road overseer and furnish him with a list of the persons liable to road duty.

Mr. Williams testified that the supervisors had notified him of his appointment as overseer but had never furnished him with a list of those liable road duty. Messrs. Bellamy & Bellamy appeared for the defendents and set up the defence that the overseers allotted the section of road to be overseered by Mr. Williams and that in so doing it was equivalent to notifying him that persons along the section so allotted were liable to road duty.

Justice Fowler reserved his decision in the matter. It involves the binding of the defendents over to the criminal

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The Advent Christian Conference

Pursuant to adjournment on Wednesday evening, the Advent Christian Conference of the Carolinas, met yesterday morning at 9 o'clock at the Advent church, on Sixth street, near Castle street. The Rev. J. S. DuBose, the president, was in the chair, and Secretary Joe King, Jr., was at his post.

After the reading of the minutes, the first business was the reception of new churches into the conference. The Rev. B. W. Sineath, of Summerville, S. C., reported six new churches organized by him in Colleton county, South Carolina, as follows: Centreville, Cravenville, Smokes, Grace, Berea, and Ilandton. In making his report Mr. Sineath made a very affecting and impressive talk concerning the work.

On motion of Mr. I. W. King the six new churches were enrolled.

Reports from the various pastors were received. Rev. C. C. Norris, of Barbour's chap-

el, reports a total membership of 104. including twenty-six new accessions. The Sunday school has four teachers and 54 pupils.

Rev. J. P. Kink, of Salem church, reports 214 members. Rev. J. R. Tyndal, of Davis chapel,

reports 50 members. His church rec-

ommended him for ordination. Rev. J. A. E. Grissom, of Hampstead church, Wilmington, reported 10 members, and a Sunday school with 20 pupils.

Rev. C. C. Norris, of Sand Hill, reports 44 members.

Rev. J. J. Williams, of Stanley's, reports 25 members.

Rev. J. W. S. Harvey, of Myrtle Grove church, reports 22 members. Rev. T. J. Moore, of Saratoga church, reports 10 members.

Rev. I. W. Phillips, of Farmville, reports 40 members. Rev. J. P. King of the Wilmington

church, reports 480 members. The committee on rules reported and

they were adopted. Additional reports from the new churches organized were secured.

The following committee was appointed on the Ladies Aid and Mission Society reports: Mrs. J. P. King, Mrs. Anna James and Mrs. Herring. The following committee on perma-

nent order of business was appointed: Rev. J. E. King, Rev. J. P. King, Rev. D. W. Grathan and Rev. C. C. Norris. At the evening session, the Rev. B. W. Sineath delivered an address to a

large congregation on the subject of man and wife and their duties toward each other. He was humorous and earnest and his congregation was well entertained.

The Little Folks Mission Society will report their work at this afternoon's

Rev. W. H. Davis and the Rev. Walter Streater, of Wilmington, and the Rev. J. R. Tyndal, of Davis chapel, were set apart for ordination to the eldership, and the Rev. B. R. King, of Wilmington, to the deaconate.

John Griffin, of Zanesville, O., says: 'I never lived a day for thirty years without suffering agony, until a box of De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve cured my piles." For piles and rectal troubles, cuts, bruises, sprains, eczema and all skin troubles De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve is unequalled. R. R. Bellamy.

The Boys Brigade. (Special Correspondence of The Messenger.) Camp Bruton,

Carolina Beach, August 12. Our advance guard consisting of Lieutenant Dudley and Privates Presson, Tyler and Jordan, had everything in readiness upon our arrival in camp and we immediately got down to bus-

We occupy eight regulation army tents, and our meals are furnished by Colonel R. A. Jenkins, proprietor of the Hotel Oceanic.

We are conducting our encampment strictly upon military principles. The boys realize that it is to their interest and it seems to be their pleasure to do their duty. Two of the privates were put on one-half an hour extra guard duty for "monkeying" with the guard. Our countersign last night was 'Fisher." of course, after the historic fort just below us.

We had a score of visitors today and vocal music was one of the great treats at camp today, furnished by Mrs. W. H. Montgomery and Misses Allena Cook and Bertha Dudley.

Watermellons are acceptable. We had an original camp crab fry today. Visitors cordially invited.

We go in surf bathing twice a day There is no sickness and everybody is well and fully enjoying themselves.

Yesterday's Races St. Louis, August 12.-Madeline was the only winning favorite at the fair grounds today, but three heavily played second choices were successful and helped drain

Posth Caused by Hides from China Dubois, Pa., August 12.-Within the last few days four deaths have occurred among the Falls Creek tannery employes, two miles from this city, and several others are reported very ill. Some time ago the tannery company received the first invoice of 100,000 hides imported from China. The hides were started through the process of tanning and the liquors drained into the creek. Not long after-wards several head of cattle running at large died and up to the present time a score have gone to the bone yard. It was discovered that the cattle drank water from the creek.

Some of the tannery employes were sub-sequently taken sick and four have died so far. Investigation revealed the fact that the hides were infected with anthrax bacteria. Only one man who has been afflicted has recovered. The disease proves fatal in from five to eight days. Considerable alarm exists at Falls Creek over the fatal effects and possible spread of the disease. The matter has been kept as secret as possible, but it is understood that it has been referred to the state board of health and that an investigation will be instituted.

Cleveland Is In Politics Those who think that Grover Cleve-

land has given up politics entirely and retired to private life are mistaken. The ex-president is keeping in touch with his friends and party all over the country. An officeholder who served under Mr. Cleveland, and who still remains in office, paid a visit to Buzzard Bay this week and spent a morning with the ex-president. The gentleman was surprised at the interest shown by Mr. Cleveland in matters political. He found that the mail at Gray Gables was as large as it was last summer. The ex-president discussed the situation in various states, and remarked that his friends were constantly writing to him about certain matters and asking his advice. Mr. Cleveland did not care to discuss the political situation in detail.-Washington Letter to Mail and Express.

Germany's Vice Chancellor Injured Baron von Miquel, the Vice-President

of the Council of Ministers of the German Empire and of the Kingdom of Prussia, as well as Vice-Chancellor and Minister of Finance of the Empire, who is recognized as being the right-hand man of the Kaiser, has just had his hand so severely crushed by the banging of the door of a railroad carriage at Berlin that the amputation of two fingers was rendered necessary. The Baron, although now the principal champion of the Emperor's reactionary and anti-liberal policy, was formerly one of the leaders of the Revolutionary party in Germany, and the chief lieutenant of the socialist, Karl Marx .- N. Y. Tribune.

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#### Illinois Miners in Camp

Decatur, Ill., August 12.-About 300 miners from Lincoln and Springfield, are now in camp at Niantic. They are quiet and orderly and so far have shown no signs of giving trouble at any time. The men stayed at work in the Niantic mine all day and told the management that it was their desire to continue at work. Sheriff Nicholson and Mayor Taylor drove to Niantic this afternoon and advised the marching miners not to come to Decatur and told them any indication of violence would meet with prompt measures of repression. The Decatur miners say that they will stay at work and that they will be fully protected. The marchers will reach here tomorrow.

## Telegraphic Sparks.

The Dowager Empress Frederick has paved the way for a reconciliation between Emperor William and Crown Princes Sophia of Greece. The crown princess will shortly visit the emperor and empress at Wilhelmhoe.

The brigatine Britannia, Captain Williams, from Cadiz on June 30th, bound for Placentia bay with a general cargo, went ashore near Placentia, N. F., in a dense fog and will become a total wreck.

Five hundred coal miners, employed by the Alberta Coal Company at Lethbridge, Mont., went out on strike Thursday for an advance of 10 per

## He had Lived Long Enough

London, August 12.-At the inquest held over the remains of an American who committed suicide by shooting himself with a revolver at Handworth, after a card party, it developed that the deceased left a number of extraordinary letters including the following:

"This is to certify that I, Asa Charles Jackson, an American citizen living in Birmingham, have of my own free will and desire, committed suicide, as I have lived quite long enough." The jury rendered a verdict to the effect that the deceased committed suicide while laboring under insanity.

To Still Fight the Glucose Combination Chicago, August 12-The dissolution yesterday at Peoria, of the injunction obtained by stockholders of the American Glucose Company, and the transfer of the glucose interests of the American Company to the Glucose Sugar Refining Company, today, has not disheartened the stockholders in the American Company who are opposed to the deal. Attorney George F. Harding, who has led the opposition, said today that the case would be pushed to a final decree. He was confident, he said, that the bill would lie in higher courts.

"I crave but One Minute," said the public speaker in a husky voice: and then he took a dose of One Minute Cough Cure, and proceeded with his oratory. One Minute Cough Cure is unequalled for throat and lung troubles. R. R. Bellamy.

## States With no Public Lands

It is said that there are no remaining public lands in any of the states of New England, in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky or Texas. There are 25,000 acres of public land in Ohio, 37,-000,000 in Florida, 36,000,000 in Alabama, 28,000,000 in Louisiana, 36,000,000 in Michigan and 34,000,000 in Wisconsin. The other public lands are in the western states and territories.

Another American in Spanish Prison Washington, August 12.-Santiago

Barroeta, of No. 146 West Sixty-fourth street, New York, has begged the state department to intervene for the protection of his brother-in-law, Ramon Hidalgo, an American citizen, registered as such in Havana and Cienfuegos, who was arrested July 28th by the Spanish authorities, and is kept "incommunicado" in Cabanas fortress. Mr. Barroeta says that his brother-in-law is a prominent lawyer in Cienfuegos and does not mix in Suban affairs.

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